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C O N F I D E N T I A L GUATEMALA 0925

FOR AID/AIDAC/PHA/FDRC

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: GT, UK, SWEL

SUBJECT: ALLEGED GUATEMALAN REFUSAL OF BRITISH ASSISTANCE

1. BEGIN LOU. BRITISH CONSUL WILLIAM MCQUILLAN TOLD EMBOFF
EVENING FEBRUARY 7 THAT TO HIS KNOWLEDGE NO REPEAT NO
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TRUTH TO RUMOR THAT GUATEMALAN GOVERNMENT HAD DENIED

LANDING RIGHTS TO BRITISH AIRCRAFT BRINGING RELIEF SUPPLIES.
MCQUILLAN BELIEVES RUMOR MAY HAVE ORIGINATED FROM
GUATEMALAN UNOFFICIAL DECILITATION ON FEBRUARY 4 OF INFORMAL
OFFER BY MCQUILLAN OF ASSISTANCE FROM BRITISH SUPPLIES IN
BELIZE. OFFICIAL NOTE OFFERING ASSISTANCE WAS
DELIVERED TO FOREIGN MINISTRY FEBRUARY 5, BUT THUS FAR
NO REPLY HAS BEEN RECEIVED, DESPITE FOLLOW-UP INQUIRIES
BY MCQUILLAN.

2. END LOU BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL. MCQUILLAN SAYS HE WAS
TOLD BY FOREIGN MINISTRY'S DIRECTOR OF BELIZE AFFAIRS
FERNANDO SANCHEZ THAT FOREIGN MINISTER MOLINA FAVORS
ACCEPTING THE ASSISTANCE, BUT POLITICAL PRESSURES FROM
OTHER QUARTERS HAVE PREVENTED THIS.

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